TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF. BUSINESS

Yesterday's bank clearings were \$10,520, 130, balances \$1,175,026, Local discount rates were between 4% and 6 per cent. Domestic exchange was quoted as follows: New York, 19c discount bld, 5c discount asked; Chicago, par bid, 5c discount asked; Cin cinnati, Louisville and New Orleans, 25c discount bid, par asked.

Wheat closed lower at \$1.12%@1.12% 14d. Dec., \$1.15 No. 2 red. Corn closed lower at 40% 943%c asked Dec., 52%c No. 2 mixed Oats closed at 30%c nominal Dec., 31931%c No. 2 mixed.

Spot cotton was unchanged in the local

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN. T. W. Balmer died yesterday. Bud Harrington, a negro teamster, was shot and killed by the Reverend John Evans, a negro minister.

Thomas Baldwin's airship, the "Califor tria Arrow," broke loose yesterday and was carried away to the northwest after two unsuccessful attempts at flight.

East Side dealers were unable to buy coal on the track yesterday. Norman M. Vaughan shot and killed

Hayden Y. Loring in a dispute over a small amount of money. Chief Swingley saves the city \$1,636 in erection of new fire-engine house

John A. (Kid)Sheridan will be buried to-morrow morning. The City Hall is all ready for the in-

GENERAL DOMESTIC. The reservoir at Winston-Salem, N. C. four or five injured.

A cage in a mine at Wilkesbarre, Pa. Yalls and ten miners are killed. A ton of dynamite explodes at Mount Vernon, N. Y. One man is killed, several severely injured and much damage done

Barney Schreiber intends to develop fockey out of Leo Von Grafen. Sayers will box to uphold his record in

the ring, meeting Lowry at West End St. Louis University and Carbondale High School will play at the Stadium this

Hall of Illinois and Anderson of Kans tied for first place in the opening round at Du Pont Park.

Marine Intelligence Plymouth, Nov. 2-Arrived: Deutsch land, from New York.

Queenstown, Nov. 2.-Arrived: Teutonic New York, Nov. 2-Arrived: Amster m, from Rotterdam.

New York, Nov. 2.-Sailed: Baltic, Liv. rpool; Liguria, Naples and Genoa; Staten-lam, Rotterdam, via Boulogne. Leghorn, Nov. 1.—Arrived: Italia, New

ork, via Naples. Cherbourg, Nov. 2-Arrived: Deutsch-and, New York, via Plymouth, for Ham-

Hong-Kong, Nov. 2.-Arrived previously Jaelle, San Francisco, via Honolulu, Yo-tohama, etc. (not as before). Liverpool, Nov. 2.—Sailed: Oceanic, New ork, via Queenstown.

BALDWIN'S AIRSHIP ESCAPES.

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ailed away in the direction in which ! before headed. This time it as not followed, as it was dark and the

The manner in which the ship made its al get-away was stated by Captain Baldwin to be about as follows: When the party reached the Stadium entrance of be Concourse they dismounted from the utomobile, still holding the guide ropes stached to the balloon. To float the bulon with the frame over the thirty-foot attice fence of the Concourse it was necry first to cross a network of trolley

and telegraph wires just outside the gate Baldwin gave orders to his men that the forward rope was to be thrown over these wires first and after they had been secured that the aft rope was to be then thrown over the wires and in turn se-

Instead of his direction being followed. the first two ropes were thrown over the wires at the same time. They were not secured and the forward nose of the diately pointed skyward, pulling the two forward ropes far out of reach.

Knabenshue had hold of the rear rope and
he held on. The buoyancy of the bag was
too great for him, however, and before the others had time to realize his difficulty the rope tore through his hands, severely tearing one of his fingers.

That was the last of the balloon's cap

tivity, and it soared away and was lost in the darkness. This was about 8 o'clock. Baldwin said that no attempt would be made to search for the runaway last night. He has only hope that it will be restored to him uninjured. He stated that there was but little gas in the balloon, and that if it rose to any great height the cold would soon condense it and cause it to descend. In that case, he did not expect it to go farther than a few miles, at most.
At the time of the last landing the balloon and ship part were in fine condition. Nothing about either was injured. The motor was the only thing about it that was not perfect, and Baldwin says that there is inherent weakness in that partic-

plar of his craft. The owner of the airship fears that the balloon and frame may either be injured by landing in a tree or at the hands of A search will be made for it this morning he inflated in time, fights will be made to

NOTED BENEFACTOR DEAD.

William L. Parker Expires at Columbia.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Columbia, Mo., Nov. 2.-William L.
Parker, 78 years old, died to-day at the Memorial Hospital. The hospital at which he died was built by him at a cost of \$30,-600, and presented to the University of

This was only one of his gifts to charitable, educational and religious institu-tions. He leaves an estate of \$70,000, which will be divided among a large number of distant relatives. Mr. Parker was un-married.

distant remarked married.

The functal arrangements have not been completed, but will be held at the Columbia Presbyterian Church, of which he was an officer for many years.

BOSTON MAN WEDS IN TEXAS. H. J. Pettingill and Mrs. Murphy

Married at Dallas.

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 2.-Mr. H. J. Pettin gill of Boston, vice president of the South-western Telephone Company, and Mrs. Elizabeth L. Murphy of Dallas were married in this city to-night by Bishop Garrett of the Episcopal Church.

The couple started for New Orleans on a night train to spend the honeymoon. They will live at Meirose, the country home of Mr. Pettingill, near Boston.

Virginia, Ill., Nov. 2-Former Senator Arthur Leeper spoke to-night in Asplund Hall at Little Indian. His discussion of Democratic cumpaign issues and his appeal to the voters to support the national and State Democratic tickets, met with anthoniastic applause.

VANDIVER-SPENCER DEBATE AROUSES GREENE COUNTY

Thousands Crowd Springfield Courtroom to Hear Congressman and Former Judge Discuss Political Issues-Voters Cheer Mention of Folk by Both Speakers-Local Campaign Pales In-

REPUBLICANS PACK FRONT SEATS WITH NEGRO SHOUTERS.

BY A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.

Springfield, Mo., Nov. 2.-Congressman W. D. Vandiver of the Fourteenth District, and Judge Selden P. Spencer, Republican star campaigner, hold their much-talked-of joint discussion in the Courthouse here to-night.

It was a debate of the old-fashioned sort. It called out the old men of both parties who remembered the campaign desates of former years. It was a house divided against itself, ready to applaud teliing points.

It was a diversion, even to the warm Green County campaign, for the campaign is no heated here in these two representa-tive districts that none of the local nomnees was particularly anxious for the debate to be held here. So worried were they that the chairman of both county ommittees wired to their respective speakers, asking them to put off the dis ussion until after election. Both speakers could not see their way clear to draw off, and so the debate was held.

The Republicans took advantage of their present control of the county offices, and affixed Walbridge's name in two-foot letters above the bench from which the debaters spoke. Pictures of Roosevelt and Fairbanks covered the walls. Not only that, but the officeholders took care to get all their party workers in the front of the courtroom for a clacque. Repub-

All the prominent politicians and partians of the city were on hand, almost too iate to get seats, because of the early ar-rival of the populace which filled windows, steps, rathings and every available inch of floor space.

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Outside of the Courthouse there was much complaint over the work of the Republicans in filling the courtroom an hour before the time announced for the meeting. The early arrival of the negroes and town loafers made it practically impossible for any large number of the better element to get into the room.

Republican politicians are being generally criticised for their evident intestion to pack the room in favor of Judge spencer. The fact that Mr. Vandiver had his own against such obstacles is a matter for congratulation.

Frank B. Williams, chairman of the Democratic County Committee; Unit N. Bray, secretary of the committee; H. B. McDaniel, an original Folk man, and president of the Union National Bank; Emmett Newton, nominee for Representative; L. H. Murray, J. B. Jewell, editor of the Leader-Democrat; F. C. Brown, State Senacor F. M. McDavid, E. Y. Mitchell and John B. Porter, were among the prominent Democrats.

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Of the Republicans were many. Postmaster J. B. Ross, whose postal service is praised by critical political opponents as well as by his friends; Perry Patton, chairman of the County Committee; S. C. N. Vanhosen, registrar of lands; John H. Duncan, registrar of lands; Frank Clements, C. W. Tooker and H. R. Snyder, enter of the Republican.

The utmost good feeling prevailed. Neither Judge Spencer nor Congressman Vandiver quibbed about the division of time. After a short conference it was agreed that Mr. Vandiver should open with a speech one hour and five minutes in langth, Judge Spencer to follow for an hour and a quarter, and his opponent to close with a quarter of an hour's rebuttal. Chairman Williams of the Democratic Committee called the meeting to order at 7:40, by announcing that McLain Jones spoke briefly defining the terms of the discussion and bespeaking the fair consideration of the audience for both speakers.

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ELECTION FRAUDS. Then, referring to State politics, Mr.

Vandiver said, in part:

"The Republican administration in Mis souri was reckless, viciously partisan and corrupt. The election laws were the most outrageous that were ever enforced anywhere in America, excepting only the carpeting are to min the Southern Streen the unhappy days of the reconstruction. "Long after the Civil War had closed, when peace prevalled everywhere, they not only applied the infamous test oath, but they deliberately disfranchised whole communities, not of tough character, but of intelligent, patriotic, law-abiding citizens, simply to enable them to control elections and in appointing judges and clerks of an election they selected only men of their own party.

"Democrats were not allowed to act as judges and clerks of an election, even in the best counties of Missouri. Compare those, if you will, with the fair and impartial methods now in vogue under a Democratic administration, where elections are conducted homestly and squarely to both parties, having equal representation of judges and clerks at every polling precinct in the State.

"Under the Republican administration the credit of the State suffered to such an extent that, although its bonds brought 5 and 7 per cent into est, they were bawked about the markets of the world at S cents on the dollar. Under Democratic administration the rate of interest was lowered to 3 and 3½ per cent, and the State bonds, as long as there was one, stood equal to a Government bond in the markets of the world.

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"Under the Republican administration taxes were high and appropriations for schools and other public institutions were low. The rate of taxes was 50 cents on the hundred dollars, and the total sum appropriated for educational purposes was only an average of \$151,000 per year. To-day taxes are low, only 10 cents on the hundred dollars for actual State expenses, and last year there was distributed among the school children of the State more than \$1,300,000 to aid in their education.

"The heavy debt that was left as a heritage of the Republican administration has been paid off by the careful management of Democratic administrations, making the only case on record in the United States in which any State has ever paid off a heavy bonded debt and lowered its taxes at the same time COMPARATIVE TAXATION.

COMPARATIVE TAXATION. On the question of comparative taxation Mr. Vandiver challenged his opponent to

deny this proposition:

"Farm lands in Missouri are taxed only one-third as high as in Illinois, and one-half "s high as in Iowa and less than ha f as high as in Kansas, the three Republican States surrounding Missouri on the east, the north and the west. The Republicans admit that the tax rate in Illinois is 50 cents on the hundred dollars of valuation for State purposes, while in Missouri the tax rate for State purposes alone is only 10 cents on the hundred dollars, but they claim that in Illinois the assessed valuation is only one-fifth of the real value.

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"All right; grant that it is 50 cents on a fifth valuation, it is equal to 10 cents on a full valuation. In Missouri the awaregate valuation established by custom that has prevailed ever since the State was organized is one-third of the full cash value, and a tax rate of 10 cents on the third valuation would be equal to 31-3 cents on the full valuation. In other words, ours is 31-3 cents on the \$100, while Illinois is 10 cents.

cents.

"In the same way the Iowa valuation; is on a one-fourth basis, and the tax rate 30 cents, which is equivalent to 7% cents on a full valuation, as against our 51-3 cents. In other words, theirs is more than double ours, and in Kansas it is likewise more than double ours.

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"As to the inxation of corporations, the facts are all in our favor. Iowa, with 2,300 more miles of railroad than Missouri, assesses them on only \$64,000,000, while Missouri assesses them on nearly \$85,000,000, and as a good illustration of the general

fact, the Eads bridge, watch spans the great Missassippi at St. Louis, is taxed for one-half of its value in lilinois and one-half in Missouri. The Illinois Republican State Board of Equalization assessed their half at \$23,000 while the Missouri Democratic State Board of Equalization assessed our half at \$1,700,000.

"Another illustration of the difference in favoridism to corporations is seen in the street railway assessment of St. Louis.

"Inder Republican administration the street-car lines of St. Louis were assessed on a valuation of \$5,50,000, while under Democratic administration they are now assessed at eighteen millions.

"Furthermore, it must require an amazing amount of cheek for the Republicans to complain that the Democratic have been too favorable to the corporations, when it is remembered that under Republican administration in Missouri the railroads paid not a single dolar of taxes, while under Democratic administration of nearly \$8,000,000. The man who makes that charge must have more gall than consolence."

BOOLE ISSUE.

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"First—No boodler was ever prosecuted in the courts of Missouri by a Republican official, but every case that has been presented by a Democratic official, and they cannot plead the poor excuse that they have had no opportunity, because they have had no opportunity, because they have had the greatest opportunities.

"Second—The first boodling transactions that ever took place in the State of Missouri, so far as is known, was in the winter of 1863 and 1879, when the Republicans were in power and had the Governor, the Senate, the House and the courts, all the machinery of Government, in their hands. The State mortgage on the Missouri Facific Raliroad was released for less than half its value, thereby saddling a debt of 5,880,000 on the taxpayers of the State. Evidence afterwards brought out in the Federal Court disclosed the fact that the Legislature was bribed with MSM.000. They had all of the machinery in their hands and prosecuted nobody.

"Third—The next net of boodling that has been brought to light was in the c ty of St. Louis, when Republicans he d sway. The boodle business came to be a regular system there and twenty-five out of twenty-eight members of the House of Delegates have been proven to be boodlers. Republicans control ed the city, h d all of the machinery of government in their hands, including the Mayor, the Circuit Judges and the City Atterney, and yet no one was prosecuted.

"Who was the Mayor at that time, when boodling was at its height? One Cyrus P. Walbridge, now Republican nomines for the House of Delegates and President of the Circuit, and especially a member of the Comfort combine, whose transactions became notorious, not to say infamous.

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"This is the man that the Republicans expect to drive boodling out of Missouri, though in all his eight years of public service in St. Louis when boodling was going on all around him, he never lifted his hand against it, nor threw a straw in the way of the boodlers' business. He slept on his beat, and had no eyes to see nor nose to smell what was around him.
"Fourth—Be it remembered that the Democrats have nominated a man for Governor who has done more to eradicate corruption from official life than any other man in America has ever done, and he stands on a platform which hurls deflance at all the powers of corruption.
"The Republican candidate, to take the most charitable view, is an affable and harmless gentleman, who speaks softly and offends no one. When challenged to repudiate the bootlers' support, he answers not a word.

THE BALLOT BOXES.

THE BALLOT BOXES "Fifth-Who made this issue? If we had waited for Mr. Walbridge or the Republican party to make it, we would have waited till the crack of doom. It was made by Joseph W. Folk and the Democratic party. "Sixth—What is Judge Spencer's argument to the facts? Why, he says that the Supreme Court of Missouri, at the instance of Mr. Folk, sealed up the ballot boxes to prevent a fair contest of his electoxes to prevent a fair contest of his elec-tion. This might do to distract attention from the main issue, if it were not known throughout the State that this is the pur-pose, but the people will not be blinded

throughout the State that this is the purpose, but the people will not be blinded by false issues.

"The Supreme Court never closed up the ballot boxes; they simply prevented Judge Spencer from violating the Australian ballot law, which guarantees to the humblest citizen of the land a secret ballot. They simply ruled that Judge Spencer's order was not good law, but that the ballot boxes might be opened in accordance with law, and a fair contest instituted to determine whether the election was legal and the results properly returned.

"I call your attention to the reading of a part of that decision found in volume 164, Missouri Reports, pages 23, 33, 27 and 38. In other words, Judge Spencer might have properly required the boxes opened and the ballots compared with the returns to see that they were correct, and might also have had they poll books compared with the registration books to see that those who voted were entitled to vote. But this was not what he wanted. He wanted to see who voted were entitled to vote. But this was not what he wanted. He wanted to see who had desorted the Republican ticket. He pleaded that all the votes cast were fraudulent, even his own. This alone cught to have ruled him out of count.

"Seventh—They charge, again, that Mr. Folk has not prosecuted election frauds. This is simply a campaign falsehood. Mr. Folk has not prosecuted election frauds. This is simply a campaign falsehood. Mr. Folk has not prosecuted election frauds almost immediately after he came into his office, and did not stop because the frauds were committed by Democrats. He convicted seven cases of election frauds almost immediately after he came into his office, and did not stop because the frauds were committed by Democrats. He convicted more election crooks than any other official in the city has ever done.

"In conclusion, this campaign is waged in the honor of Missouri. The eyes of the whole country are upon us. When the sun goes down on election day the fame of Missouri will put her at the head of the list of A

Judge Spencer began by lauding Roose velt for his policies in the Philippines.

"Sound money is a national issue in the hearts of the great mass of the Democratic voters and Congressmen, but not in their platform, since Mr. Parker's telegram has superficially, at least, reorganized the Democratic party on that issue. The inconsistent thing about it is that my distinguished opponent is now is ve-

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produced as the difference as the control of the difficulty by correcting the digestion.

disgraceful bribe of a Democratic State Senator by a Democratic officeholder, the same man who is now standing with that same Cook on an antiboodle platform?

"Is an antiboodle platform sincere that is built to support a confessed bribe accessory and Joseph W. Folk together? Can good citizens expect help from Folk with such alliances? Are honest elections possible under a man whose chief supporter in St. Louis is now the same Harry B. Hawes whom Folk denounced in unmeasured terms last spring, and whose delegates, elected by brutality and dishonesty, were all, save one ward, seated in the great Folk convention without protest or opposition?

"Can Folk and Hawes and Cook inspire confidence in honest government and honest elections in this State? Was not Mr. Hawes right when he said that Folk would never support home rule for the cities?

"As we look at the dark picture of Folk's surrender, of his disgraceful alliances, of his slience on the things he once advocated, and his support of the men and measures he once condemned, we still see the need of a change of government in this State. But the hope of it lies not in Folk and Cook and Alien. O men of Missouri, if corruption in Missouri is appalling, as Folk says it is, why not cure it by a Republican administration? It has done well in the nation; it will bless and prosper Missouri, and neverbefore has an abler, cleaner, more fearless and capable ticket been presented to the people of this State than the present Republican State ticket.

VANDIVER REPLIES.

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"Judge Spencer took the frenzied side of "Judge Spencer took the frenzied side of the boodle cause by adding that there were only two poor, ignorant Republicans in the Penttentiary as a result of Folk's trials, and four were there as a result of pleading guilty, all bribe-tekers.

"Not a bribe giver is there, he said. I cannot help but have some sympathy with those who want to know why the bribe-givers are not there."

Congressman Vandiver closed amid cheers from the audience. Even the nacked cheene could not help but are

cheers from the audience. Even the packed clacque could not help but appacked clacque could not help but ap-plaud him.

"You have heard my opponent tell about Democratic members of Congress four years ago voting against a so-called anti-trust bill presented by the Republicans,"

he said.
"I will inform him that the Democratic Congressmen voted against that bill because it was a weak one and we had a better one then before us which Republicans opposed.

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'When any man impugns the motives of Mr. Folk in his boodle prosecutions I feel sorry for him. Tell me Folk is insincere with every boodler in Missouri now fighting and supporting Mr. Walbridge?

On whose side is the insincerity, when Mr. Walbridge has not even so much as mentioned the name of Butler, but talked nothing but generalities throughout every one of his speeches?

"Mr. Spencer said something about bribe-givers not being in the Penitentiary. Does he not know that one millionaire is out of the country under indetment and all together five millionaires are under indictment in St. Louis through the efforts of Mr. Folk?

THE HOTEL CONFERENCE.

THE HOTEL CONFERENCE. "Judge Spencer asks me about a ques-tion of veracity in a certain conference hat was held in the Southern Hotel. "As one who was there, let me tell him hat no question of veracity was raised. He says something about the Jefferson rie says something about the Jefferson City convention. Is there a man who has heard Judge Spencer's speech to-night who does not believe that if Mr. Folk had assumed to dictate to the convention whom it had named he would be here denounced by my opponent as a dictator of free Missourians?

sourians?

"Be fair, Judge, in this as you have been in other points.

"He says that Mr. Walbridge turned Jim Butler out of the City Attorney's office. Does he say a word about the Republicans making an agreement to send him to Congress? Not a word of it.

"What means this viciousness of the fight against Mr. Folk when all the world is looking toward Missouri to do its duty? I leave it to you, loyal Missourians, to decide the issue."

in their platform, since Mr. Parker's telegram has superficially, at least, reorganized the Democratic party on that issue. The inconsistent thing about it is that my distinguished opponent is now is vehement for Parker and sound money as he was for Bryan and free silver eight years ago. Parties who change their paramount issues over night are not worthy of general confidence.

"Is the boiley of this Government in the Philippines an issue, when within an incredible shortness of time, over 90 towns in those islands have been given power to govern themselves in internal matters and control of their own police, greater than under Democratic rule in Missouri, is given to the citizens of St. Louis and Kansas City?

"B Theodore Roosevelt an issue? He has taken the nation into his confidence. His acts, his policies are open, honest and shoner. No man is in doubt, and never in the history of this Union has American citizenship been more respected at homes and abroad than under the administration to all, to Republicans openly, and to a multitude of Democrats secretly, that the election of the Republican national it icket is so blessediv certain. Apply he same test of sincerity to the State ticket and State issues.

"Praise without limit every good deed Jæsph W. Folk did as Circuit Attorney."

"The condemn, as all Republicans do, the crime of bribery. Stamp with public indignation and merited punishment dishonesty in public office. But what of Joseph W. Folk, the man who brought out of the Grund Jury room the saad story of Sam B, Cook's co-operation in the open and will be elected Speaker of the body,

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Movement to Further Establish Perpetuity of the Choral-Symphony Society.

FUND OF \$22,000 REQUIRED.

Meeting at Women's Club to Discuss Measures by Which Concerts May Be Given This Season.

At a meeting of the Choral-Sympathy Society at the St. Louis Women's Club yesterday afternoon arrangements were made and suggestions offered to further establish the perpetuity of the society, in order that a series of the usual annual

Mrs. John Davis, president of the soclety, said that \$22,000 was required to defray expenses of the concerts last year, and that it will be impossible to secure the best arttists and a good hall for a less amount this season.

Heretofore a guarantee fund has been necessary, but when a deficit of 40 per cent became obvious last year Mmes. Davis and John Fowler, by personal solicitation, raised \$1,000. Because of this all nembers have refused to contribute in a like manner this year. The hope now is that the necessary amount will be raised by the sale of seats entirely. So far 9,000 seats have been secured, and yesterday members pledged support in the disposit'on of 300 seats and were held responsible for the amount received from the sale of the tickets, regardless of the financial re-

turns.
The plan to advance the prices of boxes and contribute one-half to the deficit fund was suggested and also met with the society. The motion was vigorously contested, only six members casting an affirmative vote.

A plan to advance the price of seats to \$10 and contribute one-half to the deficit fund was suggested and also met with disapproval.

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Amofig those present at the meeting were: Doctor Saxi, Misses Sarah Tower, Mary Webb, Elle Stanard, Mmes, Kate Howard, Phillip North Moore, C. W. Parker, Halsey C. Ives, Sawyer, Mary McKittrick, George D. Markham, McKittrick-ques and Messrs. Hanford Crawford and Clinton Udell.

The Symphony Orchestra was engaged by the Exposition Company and has given concerts at the World's Fair during the summer.

A meeting will be held by the society within a few days, when decisive action will be taken.

SPEAKS OF TRUSTS AND RACE ISSUE Congressman Litteell Addresses Audience at Texarkana.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.
Texarkana, Ark., Nov. 2.—Congressman John S. Litteell of the Second Arkansas District, spent to-day here, and to-night addressed a large audience of enthusiastic Democratas at the Miller County Courthouse.

His speech dealt mainly with the trusts and the race issue. His remarks on the latter were forceful, clear-cut and pungent, winning uproarfous applause from the large crowd present.

Governor Dockery to Speak. principal speaker at the Democratic mass meeting which will take place to-night in the Rock Spring Turner Hall, Chouteau and Boyle avenues, and which will be pre-sided over by Health Commissioner Simon. After Governor Dockery's address Harry B. Hawes will make a short speech.

Texas Fights Cotton Seed Trust.

Washington. Nov. 2.—The antitrust law of Texas is involved in the two cases of the National Cotton Oil Company and the Southern Cotton Oil Company against the State of Texas, which were argued in the Supreme Court of the United States to-day by William F. Rowe and R. L. Loveti for the oil companies and Attorney General Bell of Texas for that State. The case grown out of a preceding by the State to forfeit the business licenses of the companies, which are foreign comporations. They are charged with conspiring to fir the price of cotton seed, which is in violation of the law. Texas Fights Cotton Seed Trust.

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York.

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natorial Contest.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. New York, Nov. 2.-With election day five days off, the betting ring on the Broad street curb is beginning to grow excited, and large sums of real money are being wagered. A regular betting post

was established to-day.
Odds on the national results had on Tuesday been forced down to a 4-to-1 basis. To-day betting on the general result opened at that figure, but closed at 5 to 1 on President Roosevelt. In the State fight, Judge Herrick was still a 10-to-7 favorite. Odds of 2 to 1 were freely given and taken that President Roosevest

carries his own State. The greatest interest centered in the Herrick-Higgins contest. At the prevailing odds of 10 to 7 there was one of the active betting markets in recent years. It is estimated that in Wall street to-day more than \$50,000 was laid on this contest Green Pickens, curb representative

Green Pickens, curb representative for A. A. Houseman & Co., was offering \$5,0.0 or any part of that amount on hissains at 7 to 10. Brokers by the dozens accepted his offers, It was said that Houseman & Co. had been commissioned by Loyal L. Smith, a Western stock operator and fo mer t. r., man, to bet \$50,000 on the election of Higgins at 7 to 10.

The long odds on the presidential contest prevented extensive betting. Practically no additional Parker money came down to the financial quarter and the odds lengthened from 4 to 1 to 5 to 1. There was sufficient Republican money to maintain these odds until the close. Bunnell and Buchanan bet \$2,000 to \$500 with P. P. McDonald on Roosevelt; the same brokers

also bet \$30 to \$1.00 on Judge Parker for also bet \$30 to \$1.000 en Judge Parker for unother customer.

Large sums were wagered on the electoral vote of this State. Odds of 2 to 1 are given that Roosevelt will carry the State and these figures seem attractive to many speculative individuals. Fred Brooks, who said he had been commistioned by Republican politicians, bet \$10,-100 to \$5.000 with T. F. Pavne, a member of the Metropolitan Turf Association, on Roosevelt. This bet was laid at the Rossmore, where Brooks also placed \$300 to \$250 on the same result. Mr. Brooks announced to-night that he had \$1,000 more to bet at 2 to 1.

J. L. McCormick, a curb broker, bet \$50 to \$100 with Bunnell and Buchanan on the general result, and the latter firm bet in small amounts \$500 to \$250 on Roosevelt's chances in this state.

on the Cotton Exchange the Southern brokers have cleaned up all the Repub-lican money at the prevailing odds. It is estimated that \$20,000 has been wagered

Brooklyn Republican leaders raised a pool of \$19,000 to-day and bet it against \$5,000 that Roosevelt will carry this State. The Parker end was taken by Frank M. Brooks Senator McCarren is offering even money that Parker will have a plurality of \$5,000 in Kings County. Portland and Return.

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